

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

Boston Edison Company)
Cambridge Electric Light Company)
Commonwealth Electric Company)
NSTAR Gas Company)

D.T.E. 05-85

JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Boston Edison Company ("Boston Edison"), Cambridge Electric Light Company ("Cambridge"), Commonwealth Electric Company ("Commonwealth") (together, "NSTAR Electric"), NSTAR Gas Company ("NSTAR Gas", collectively with NSTAR Electric, the "Companies") and the Attorney General of Massachusetts (the "Attorney General"), the Low-Income Energy Affordability Network ("LEAN") and Associated Industries of Massachusetts (collectively with the Companies, the "Settling Parties") jointly move, pursuant to 220 C.M.R. § 1.04(5), for Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the "Department") approval of the Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement Agreement") filed herewith. Said Settlement Agreement resolves issues with regard to the Companies' proposed base rate case that was to have been filed pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94 and certain ancillary matters. In addition, the Companies move the Department to enter into evidence the exhibits filed in this proceeding as listed on Appendix A, hereto.

This Settlement Agreement is conditioned on approval in its entirety by the Department and on the further condition that, if the Department does not approve the

Settlement Agreement in its entirety by December 30, 2005, it shall be deemed withdrawn.

WHEREFORE, the Settling Parties request that the Department grant this Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Agreement, enter into evidence the exhibits listed in Appendix A and make the following findings on or before December 30, 2005:

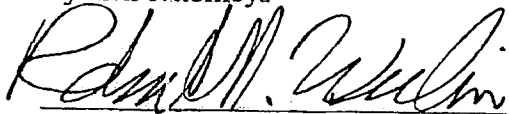
- (1) That the terms of the Settlement Agreement are reasonable;
- (2) That the rate plan for NSTAR Electric will result in just and reasonable rates; and
- (3) That the rate plan for NSTAR Gas will result in just and reasonable rates.

Respectfully submitted,

NSTAR
BOSTON EDISON COMPANY
CAMBRIDGE ELECTRIC
LIGHT COMPANY and
COMMONWEALTH ELECTRIC
COMPANY
NSTAR GAS COMPANY

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Dated: December 6, 2005

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Exhibit List

<u>Exhibits</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exhibit NSTAR-1 (Settlement)	Revenue Requirement Filing
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-1	➤ Testimony of James J. Judge
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-2	➤ NSTAR Capital Investment
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-3	➤ NSTAR A&G Excl Benefits
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-4	➤ Electric & Gas Direct Distribution O&M
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-5	➤ NSTAR SAIDI & SAIFI
Exhibit NSTAR-JJJ-6	➤ NSTAR Site History
Exhibit NSTAR-GOL/CLV-1	➤ Testimony of Geoffrey O. Lubbock and Christine L. Vaughan
Exhibit BEC-CLV-2	➤ Boston Edison Company Distribution Revenue Requirement
Exhibit BEC-CLV-3	➤ Boston Edison Company Distribution Labor Increases
Exhibit BEC-CLV-4	➤ Boston Edison Company Property Tax Adjustment
Exhibit BEC-CLV-5	➤ Boston Edison Company Cash Working Capital
Exhibit BEC-CLV-6	➤ Boston Edison Company Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes
Exhibit BEC-CLV-7	➤ Boston Edison Company Detailed Revenue Accounts
Exhibit BEC-CLV-8	➤ Boston Edison Company Operations & Maintenance Expense
Exhibit BEC-CLV-9	➤ Boston Edison Company Transmission Allocators
Exhibit BEC-CLV-10	➤ Boston Edison Company Balance Sheet

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Exhibit BEC-CLV-11	➤ Boston Edison Company Income Statement
Exhibit BEC-CLV-12	➤ Boston Edison Company Electric Plant In Service
Exhibit BEC-CLV-13	➤ Boston Edison Company Local Service Schedule
Exhibit CAM-CLV-2	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Distribution Revenue Requirement
Exhibit CAM-CLV-3	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Distribution Labor Increases
Exhibit CAM-CLV-4	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Property Tax Adjustment
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Exhibit CAM-CLV-9	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Transmission Allocators
Exhibit CAM-CLV-10	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Balance Sheet
Exhibit CAM-CLV-11	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Income Statement
Exhibit CAM-CLV-12	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Electric Plant In Service

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Exhibit CAM-CLV-13	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Local Service Schedule
Exhibit COM-CLV-2	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Distribution Revenue Requirement
Exhibit COM-CLV-3	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Distribution Labor Increases
Exhibit COM-CLV-4	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Property Tax Adjustment
Exhibit COM-CLV-5	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Cash Working Capital
Exhibit COM-CLV-6	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes
Exhibit COM-CLV-7	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Detailed Revenue Accounts
Exhibit COM-CLV-8	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Operations & Maintenance Expense
Exhibit COM-CLV-9	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Transmission Allocators
Exhibit COM-CLV-10	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Balance Sheet
Exhibit COM-CLV-11	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Income Statement
Exhibit COM-CLV-12	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Electric Plant In Service
Exhibit COM-CLV-13	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Local Service Schedule

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Exhibit GAS-CLV-2	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Distribution Revenue Requirement
Exhibit GAS-CLV-3	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Distribution Labor Increases
Exhibit GAS-CLV-4	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Property Tax Adjustment
Exhibit GAS-CLV-5	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Cash Working Capital
Exhibit GAS-CLV-6	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes
Exhibit GAS-CLV-7	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Detailed Revenue Accounts
Exhibit GAS-CLV-8	➤ Page intentionally left blank
Exhibit GAS-CLV-9	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Labor by Account
Exhibit GAS-CLV-10	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Balance Sheet
Exhibit GAS-CLV-11	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Income Statement
Exhibit GAS-CLV-12	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Gas Plant In Service
Exhibit GAS-CLV-13	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Utility Plant
Exhibit GAS-CLV-14	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Heating System Tune-up Special
Exhibit NSTAR-RHM-1	➤ Testimony of Robert H. Martin
Exhibit NSTAR-RHM-2(a)	➤ BEC, COM, CAM Capital Authorizations in Excess of \$100,000 Years 2000-2005
Exhibit NSTAR-RHM-2(b)	➤ NSTAR Gas Company Capital Authorizations in Excess of \$100,000 Years 2000-2005
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-1	➤ Testimony of Michael F. Farrell

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Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-2	➤ NSTAR Allocation Report
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-3	➤ NSTAR Cost Area Allocations Overview (7/04-12/04)
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-4	➤ NSTAR Cost Area Allocations Overview (1/05 – 6/05)
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-5	➤ NSTAR Summary of Allocation Factors 2004
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-6	➤ NSTAR Summary of Allocation Factors 2005
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-7	➤ NSTAR Summary of Test Year Expenses
Exhibit NSTAR-MFF-8	➤ NSTAR Corporate Structure
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-1	➤ Testimony of Bernard P. Peloquin
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-2	➤ NSTAR Agreement with Utility Workers Union of America
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-3	➤ NSTAR Agreement with United Steelworkers of America
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-4	➤ NSTAR Towers Perrin
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-5	➤ NSTAR Employee Wellness & Fitness Benefit Brochure
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-6	➤ NSTAR TopHealth Brochure
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-7	➤ NSTAR Comparison NSTAR Represented Base and Total Cash Compensation to Northeast Utilities
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-8	➤ NSTAR Comparison NSTAR Non-represented Base and Total Cash Compensation to Boston Area General Industry
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-9	➤ NSTAR Comparison NSTAR Non-represented Base and Total Cash Compensation to Northeast Utilities

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Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-11	➤ NSTAR Comparative Represented Wage Increases
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-12	➤ NSTAR Schedule of Non-Represented Wage Increases
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-13	➤ NSTAR Non-Represented Merit Increase Comparison
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-14	➤ NSTAR Comparative Represented vs. Non-Represented Wage Increases
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-15	➤ NSTAR 2006 Non-represented Base Salary Review Budget
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-16	➤ NSTAR Represented Employee Benefit Programs vs. Northeast Utilities Group Represented Employee Benefit Programs
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-17	➤ NSTAR Non-Represented Employee Benefit Programs vs. Northeast Utilities Group Non-Represented Employee Benefit Programs
Exhibit NSTAR-BBP-18	➤ NSTAR Non-Represented Employee Benefit Programs vs. Northeast General Industry Companies
Exhibit NSTAR-PBA-1	➤ Testimony of Philip B. Andreas
Exhibit NSTAR-PBA-2	➤ O&M Spending on Infrastructure Improvements
Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-1	➤ Testimony of John J. Spanos
Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-2	➤ NSTAR Depreciation Study Related to Gas Plant
Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-3	➤ NSTAR Depreciation Study Related to Electric Plant

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Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-4	➤ Cambridge Electric Light Company Summary of Estimated Survivor Curves, Net Salvage, Original Cost, Book Reserve and Calculated Annual Depreciation Rates
Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-5	➤ Commonwealth Electric Company Summary of Estimated Survivor Curves, Net Salvage, Original Cost, Book Reserve and Calculated Annual Depreciation Rates
Exhibit NSTAR-JJS-6	➤ Boston Edison Company Summary of Estimated Survivor Curves, Net Salvage, Original Cost, Book Reserve and Calculated Annual Depreciation Rates
Exhibit NSTAR Elec.-PRM-1	➤ Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR Elec.-PRM-1 (Appendix)	➤ Appendices to Accompany Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR Elec.-PRM-2	➤ Exhibit to Accompany Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR Gas-PRM-1	➤ Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR Gas-PRM-1 (Appendix)	➤ Appendices to Accompany Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR Gas-PRM-2	➤ Exhibit to Accompany Testimony of Paul R. Moul
Exhibit NSTAR-2 (Settlement)	➤ Alternative Rate Stabilization Plan projections for NSTAR Electric
Exhibit NSTAR-3 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison January 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-4 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison May 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-5 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-6 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison Streetlighting Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-7 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison Streetlighting Rate Design Model

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Exhibit NSTAR-9 (Settlement)	➤ Boston Edison May 2006 Bill Impacts
Exhibit NSTAR-10 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge January 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-11 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge May 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-12 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-13 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge Streetlighting Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-14 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge Streetlighting Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-15 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge January 2006 Bill Impacts
Exhibit NSTAR-16 (Settlement)	➤ Cambridge May 2006 Bill Impacts
Exhibit NSTAR-17 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth January 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-18 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth May 2006 Tariffs
Exhibit NSTAR-19 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-20 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth Streetlighting Rate Design Model
Exhibit NSTAR-21 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth January 2006 Bill Impacts
Exhibit NSTAR-22 (Settlement)	➤ Commonwealth May 2006 Bill Impacts
Exhibit NSTAR-23 (Settlement)	➤ NSTAR Arrearage Forgiveness Program